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To

The Hon'ble Sri Shanker Reddy,
Minister for Local Administration,
Fort St. George, M A D R A S.

Through

The President,
Dt. Harijan Sevak Sangh,
South Kanara.

Humble Memorial of K. Laxumana, Kapikhad,
D.C.M. Colony, Bejai, Mangalore 4,
Dated 30th July 1953.

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Respected Sir,

I am a poor Harijan. I was a peon under the South Kanara District Board for 19 years.

2. As my ill luck would have it, the President, District Board in his Proceedings Ref.C.No.A6/14047-52 dated 10-7-1952 removed me from service on the charge of temporary misappropriation of a sum of Rs.12-13-0. The said order of the President is enclosed. The circumstances which led to delay in making the payment of the said amount are briefly as follows:---

3. I was given a sum of Rs.2/- on 2-5-1952 being the sub-division fee for being remitted into the treasury. On 13-4-1952 a sum of Rs.10-13-0 was given to me for making payment to two parties. I admit that I remitted the amount of Rs.2/- after a delay of one month and two days and the latter amount after a delay of about two months. Between April 1952 and June 1952 I was greatly distracted by the illness of my wife and one of my children. I confess I had utilized the amounts to meet the cost of diet and medicines and owing to the very heavy expenditure I had to incur during this period, I was not in a position to make good the amount immediately. I however remitted the amounts after some delay. I sincerely regret for this irregularity and deeply repent for my conduct.

4. I beg to submit that I as in charge of remittance of all district board moneys to the treasuries for over 15 years. I had given a security deposit of Rs.250/

the matter of remitting to the treasuries or disbursing moneys to private parties. There were occasion when I was entrusted with sums exceeding Rs.2000/- for remittance into treasury. I did this responsible work without giving room for any complaint from the President. It was in the extra-ordinary circumstances that I had delayed to remit the amounts in question. . . .

In the above circumstances I appeal to you for mercy. I have already suffered untold hardship for the past one year without any employment. My family and I are practically starving and being a Harijan I could not get any work. I beg to submit that the amount involved in this temporary misappropriation being very small, the punishment meted out to me is far too heavy in view of my unblemished service for 19 years. I therefore fervently pray that you may be pleased to direct the President to reinstate me in service, and save me my wife and children from utter starvation.

For which act of mercy I and my family will ever remain grateful.

Your most obedient servant,

Ratnama.

Forwarded to the Hon'ble minister for Local administration, Madras.

What the memorialist has stated in his memorial is all true. The memorialist is a Harijan & is now in great distress. His conduct & assurance that he will not commit irregularities in future. His suffering during the period he was without any employment a sufficient punishment. He deserves mercy at the hands of the Government. I therefore recommend that he may be ordered to be reinstated.

Sd/ illegible (Dr. V. P. M...)
President, District Board
South Sa...

Proceedings of the President, District Board, South Kanara
Sri B. Manjayya Hegde, B.A.,B.L.,

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Ref.C.No.A6/14047-52. Dated 10-7-1952

Subject: Laxumana(K). Peon - District Board Office - South K
Services termination of - Orders issued.

Read: 1.This office Memo.Ref.C.A6/14047-52 dated 23-6-52 t
Laxumana, peon, Dt.Board Office, S.K.
2.Explanation dated 27-6-52 from K. Laxumana.
3.Office note dated 7-7-1952.

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ORDER

In this office memorandum quoted above, K. Laxumana peon, District Board Office, South Kanara was chargesheeted f the following misconduct:--

"Misappropriation of District Board Moneys".

2. A sum of Rs.2/-(two)only, being the sub-division fee due to the Government was handed over to K. Laxumana, peo District Board Office, S.K. on 2-5-1952 with the chalan duly filled in for being credited to Provincial funds. But this amount he had remitted to the District Treasury only on 3-6-5 after a delay of one month and two days as per T.R.No.46 date 3-6-52. Thus it is evident that he had temporarily misappro the money entrusted to him.

3. Again on 13-4-52, a sum of Rs.10-13-0 (ten and annas thirteen)only was handed over to him for disbursement to the following parties and obtain receipts from them in toke of having disbursed the amount.

Messrs. School Book & Co., Mangalore -- Rs.7-13-0
Messrs. Shekaran & Co., Mangalore. Rs.2-0-0

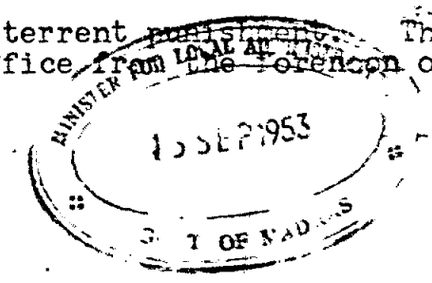
10-13-0

4. Inspite of the fact that the Accountant and the Clerk(B2)had been daily reminding the Peon to get the receipts from the parties or return the money paid to him for disbursement, the peon had been putting forward one plea or th other for the non-production of the receipts. Till the date of issue of the orders placing him under suspension, he did not produce the receipts. It is evident that the peon had no paid the parties till 20-6-1952 and he had misappropriated the amount.

5. In his statement of defence dated 27-6-52, K. Laxumana states that he could not meet the parties twice on his going over to them for disbursement of the amounts entrust to him. He also states that subsequently his wife fell ill an that he was taking care of her and that her illness was follow by his own illness resulting in his failure to disburse the am entrusted to him due to his forgetfulness. He further reque that he may be executed for his default.

6. The explanation of the peon is not satisfact and cannot be accepted. The sum of Rs.2/-(two)only, being th sub-division fee due to the Government handed over to him on 2-5-52 for being credited to Provincial funds, was remitted by him only on 3-6-52 after a delay of one month and 2 days. He does not explain why he could not remit this amount to the Treasury in time. With regard to the sum of Rs.10-13-0 entru to him on 13-4-52 for disbursement to Messrs. School Book & Co Mangalore and Messrs. Shekaran & Co., Mangalore, he disbursed amounts only after he was chargesheeted. These are clear cases of temporary misappropriation of District Board money calling for

deterrent ~~punishment~~. The peon is therefore removed from office from the forenoon of the 11th July 1952.



Sd: M.SUNDER ROW.
For President.

(TRUE COPY)

Local Administration Department

Endorsement no 39893/53-16 dt 14.8.53

Returned.

No notice will be taken unless the petition is sent through the ~~proper channel~~ Special officer, Sikanna Sd Bd and the Inspector of Panchayats and Local Boards.

(By order)

S. Krishnaswami Pillai
14.8.53
Assistant Secretary to Government

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14/8/53. KM
14.8.53

The Publishers
[K. Laxmana, Kapikhad,
D.C.M. Colony, Bejai,
Mangalore-4]

Respectfully resubmitted.

As I am no longer in the service of the District Board and the punishment was given to me by the Ex-President of the DB. when he was in office, the special officer of the DB will have no remarks to offer. I therefore pray that the Government may graciously be pleased to grant my prayer contained in the memorial.

Mangalore 2 Memorialist.

P. Mallya, L. M. & S.
MUNICIPAL COUNCILLOR.
Dat: 21-Harijan Sangh

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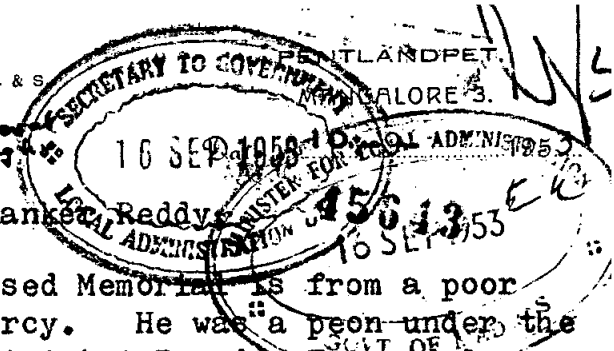

My Dear Mr. Shankar Reddy,

The enclosed Memorial is from a poor Harijan for mercy. He was a peon under the South Kanara District Board. For a delay in remitting a small sum of Rs 12--13--0 he was removed from service by the Ex.Presiden It is true that the conduct of the memorialist deserves condemnation. But I feel that the punishment meted at ~~the~~ to him is far too severe. He has been out from service for over one year and has been practically starving. He has a family to maintain. His plight is miserable. I think that the sufferings of the Memorialist for the period he has been without employment have already given him punishment sufficient for the irregularity committed. I am sure you will have mercy on this poor Harijan and order his re-instatement.

The Memorial was submitted to you direct with my endorsement as President of the Harija Sevak Sangh in July. It has been returned to the memorialist by the Office for being submitted through the Special Officer. The Special Officer will have no remarks to offer as the punishment was given by the President Dt. Board who is not now in Office. I therefore request you to admit the Memorial and pass orders.

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From Sri. K. Lakshmana, Kapikhad, D.C.M. Colony Bejai, Mangalore. A petn of 30.7.1953.

Memo No 458/403/53-1 G of 24.9.1953. P.D.

The petitioner is informed that no notice will be taken unless the petition is sent through the Special Officer South Kanara Dn Bd and the Inspector of Mpls & LBds.

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To
Sri. K. Lakshmana
Kapikhad
D.C.M. Colony.
Mangalore Tk.